

CROWDED SCHOOLS IN SOME DISTRICTS.

Movement on Foot to Divide up
the Classes.

INCREASE IN HILO DISTRICT

Kaunakapili May be Used by Chinese Pupils.
Mr. Weatherbee Gets Place in Reform
School - Demand for Building at Makawell - Inspector General Townsend's Trip

There were present yesterday at the regular weekly meeting of the Board of Education: Minister Cooper, Prof. Alexander, William A. Bowen, Mrs. Jordan, Mrs. Dillingham, Deputy Inspector Scott and Secretary C. T. Rodgers. The minutes of the previous meeting were read and approved.

There being no reports of the committees under the head of new business, an application for a position as teacher under the Board was read from Mr. Weatherbee. Mr. Weatherbee is a recent arrival from Washington State, and comes highly recommended to the Board, has been a teacher for about ten years on the coast and holds a high grade certificate. It was brought out in the discussion that followed that there were three schools in immediate need of teachers - the Waihiu, the Reform and the Olua school. As Mr. Weatherbee seemed suited for the Reform School, and Mr. Needham was in favor of him, it was voted that he be offered the position of assistant teacher. Mr. Shanks, who is now temporarily assisting there, will be offered some other position under the Board.

A new room is now being built at the Reform School for the industrial branches. Mr. Weatherbee will also have charge of this branch. His salary was voted to be \$75 a month.

Deputy Inspector Scott reported that Miss Courson had been nearly blind for two or three days on account of the light in her room, and would be confined there for two or three weeks. She wished to know if the Board could pay for her substitute, as it was thro' the Board's fault that her eyes were in their present condition. It being a bad precedent to establish, the request was not granted.

A letter from Mr. Biddell was read by the Secretary, stating that although he did not like to trespass further on the kindness of the Board, yet if they could do something for him in the way of paying his traveling expenses from his old place to the place where he had been transferred, he would be greatly obliged. The request was not granted.

Deputy Inspector Scott reported that in all the new school houses there were no closets, cupboard or shelf room, and asked that he be authorized to place in the hat room of each of these new buildings corner lockers, at the cost of about \$8 apiece.

Minister Cooper then read a lengthy report from Inspector General Townsend on the various schools he had visited this trip. It showed that the schools of Hilo were increasing very rapidly, and that there were at least 800 pupils attending school in the Hilo district.

Deputy Inspector Scott then spoke on the over crowded condition of some of the schools, mentioning Kailiwaena school, where there were 81 pupils under Miss Bessie Reynolds; the Chinese girls' school, one room of which had 76 pupils, and Miss Bella Weight's room in Hilo, which was also very much over crowded. It is impossible for any teacher to do more than to herd these scholars together, when she has more than 40 or 50 pupils under her charge.

After some discussion it was voted that each one of these schools should have a new assistant. There was room enough in the buildings for another class to be formed, except in the Chinese school, and Mrs. Dillingham thought that arrangements could be made with the trustees of Kaunakapili Church whereby the basement of that building could be used for the Chinese girls.

It was voted that Mrs. Lowden be appointed at the Chinese girls' school and Miss Robertson at the Kailiwaena school.

Mr. Kelo of Molokai was brought before the Board to give his story of the affairs of the school at Molokai.

The Board had received a petition from the parents of nineteen of out of the twenty-eight scholars attending the school, asking that Mr. Kelo be dropped by the Board, as he was in the habit of using profane language in the presence of the pupils.

Mr. Kelo brought in Mr. Dudolt, who testified to his general good character and asked to be retained.

The petition was denied.

Several petitions from Captain Eldhardt were read and it was voted that they be sent to the Inspector General, who was soon to visit that district.

Inquiries had been made when the school at Makewell would be ready for occupancy, and Minister Cooper authorized the secretary to reply that it would not be done before the first of the new year, as the schools at Paipaiou and Kahuku had to be done first.

A letter from Mrs. J. L. Dumas was read, stating that she could not accept the position as assistant in the Practice school for less than \$900 a year. It had been offered her at \$780, and the Board voted not to go back on its former action.

BROWN & KUBEY.

Store Closed Under an Attachment for Unpaid Rent.

The store of Brown & Kube, dealers in watches and jewelry, on Hotel street, is closed under an attachment by the Brewer Estate for rent. The firm has nearly two years ago, and was considered A1 in commercial circles, their

business, however, being confined principally to plantations and country stores.

Brown was the traveling man of the firm and spent most of his time away from the city, selling goods and incidentally picking up bargains in Hawaiian postage stamps. When A. V. Gear lost a lot out of his stock through a dishonest office boy they were traced to Brown and he was compelled to disgorge. Some time ago Brown decided to go to the coast and liquidate the debts of the firm, amounting to about \$3,000. After it was settled that he should go, Mr. Kube noticed him picking out the most valuable watches and diamond studs in the case, and he spoke to him about it, saying that "if he was not coming back he had better say so." Brown explained his actions by saying he felt sure he could dispose of the goods at a profit to people on the coast.

With the cash and stamps taken, the amount footed up \$3,000, and he departed. Mr. Kube has heard from him but once, and then by a telegram to a firm in San Francisco requesting them to notify Kube that he had gone to New York. Since then Mr. Kube has suffered a great deal through anxiety over the accounts. Yesterday, as stated above, the goods were attached for one month's rent, which Mr. Kube states he always pays on the 23d of each month.

It is rumored that Brown secured some valuable Hawaiian postage stamps from a man on Fort street who had a fine collection. This man trusted him before and did not hesitate to let him have some this time.

QUESTIONS OF POLICY.

Appropos of Proposed Pardon For Liliuokalani.

"Pupil" Asks Many Questions Regarding Advisability of Supposed Conciliatory Measures.

MR. EDITOR:—Will you pardon the dull intellect of a youthful writer if he asks what are the lessons taught by the affairs of 1895 that you say this morning "will not be forgotten by the present generation"? Do you really believe the full pardon of Liliuokalani will be the end, the last act of what some future historian must decide to be either tragedy or comedy? Surely there is the question of a compensation for the loss of her throne yet to be agitated.

Has not our most esteemed Executive Council from the beginning appeared afraid of any open, honest opposition from any source, as evidenced by the small but frequent doses given its supporters in order to by degrees accustom them to the end desired? Have needed improvements been carried out with the firm, steady pace of a guide confident of his path? Has not the noisy minority often brought about a conciliatory course, called "less radical," "more advisable at least until some future day," a compromise with one wheel in the mire and one high and dry on solid ground—rather than an attempt at the straight and narrow path?

Do any of Liliuokalani's former supporters look upon our present Government as liberal and chivalrous in its actions toward her, when they have so generously dealt out a little at a time the pardon which in their eyes she deserved long before this? Does any man of any political hue, young or old, believe that after the precedent established he will surely be severely punished for a political crime of a serious nature? The writer admires the young men who rushed to the front, leaving their seniors safely at home guarding their families; but are they to learn that the statements made in the time of danger are not to be carried out? Always to be told, next time it will be different?

Why could not the Executive Council come right out from the first with a strong, vigorous policy, showing the generosity of a victor and confidence in their future support? Youth may be hasty and impetuous, but it is open to reason. What harm is there in an open policy?

The writer may not be qualified to ask such questions, and he may be misinformed; if so, the editor will confer a favor in correcting him. Surely he does not wish to open old wounds or enter a newspaper controversy. He is now and hopes always to be a supporter of the present administration, even with its faults, for we are all human.

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LECTURER AND AUTHOR.

Henry Willard French Soon to be in Honolulu.

By the last steamer from the Colonies W. O. Smith received a letter from Henry Willard French, stating that he with his wife would arrive in Honolulu by the next Alameda. Mr. French is an author and lecturer of considerable note, and for some time past has been in Australia delivering illustrated lectures on the United States. These lectures have received flattering comment in the American and British press, one publication stating: "Mr. French has plenty to say, says it well, and would be welcome in every town and city in Great Britain." Among the books he has published are "Our Boys in India," "Our Boys in China," "Art and Artists," "Gems of Genius," etc. In his letter to Mr. Smith, Lecturer French says he will stop in the Islands quite a while, and will deliver a lecture or two here if desired. Honolulu people will be interested to learn that Lecturer French is the father of Dr. French, whose engagement to Miss King was recently announced.

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MINISTER WILLIS INJURED.

Thrown From His Carriage After Yesterday's Wedding.

What might have been a serious accident happened to United States Minister Willis and Mrs. Willis in the Anglican Church grounds shortly after the Stanley-Danford wedding yesterday afternoon.

The Minister and his wife had just left the church and Mrs. Willis had taken her seat in the carriage, and Minister Willis had his foot on the step when the horse bolted, throwing him to the ground, one wheel passing over his leg. Going toward the Beretania street gate, one of the wheels of the carriage struck the hub of a wheel on a hack that was just entering the grounds. The result of this was the smashing of a rear wheel on the Willis carriage, and the concussion was such that Mrs. Willis was thrown backward out of the carriage.

She was picked up by some of the guests present and a moment later she was at her husband's side. Dr. Wood arrived at this time and Mr. Willis was assisted to the doctor's office, a few moments distant, where his injuries were examined and found not to be serious. Shortly afterward the Minister and his wife left in a carriage for their beach residence.

While the injured diplomat was being looked after the horse sped out Beretania street until the other wheels and the carriage were wrecked, then it was stopped.

MYSTIC LODGE.

Meeting Last Night After Which There Was a Banquet.

There was a large meeting of the Mystic Lodge, No. 2, K. of P., last night at its Castle Hall. Besides the regular membership, a number of visiting members of other lodges were present.

After three new members were initiated, a sumptuous banquet was set and a general good time followed. What with salads and sandwiches and the excellent coffee, interspersed with flashes of wit and humor, the evening was pleasantly spent.

PYTHIAN NOTES.

Justus H. Rathbone, founder of the Knights of Pythias, died in 1889. He drew up the original ritual while teaching school in the Lake Superior country. Some time after the organization of the society in 1864 Rathbone withdrew from the Knights, but entered their ranks again in 1895. He was selected to prepare a revised ritual. During his school teaching days he formed a dramatic society, and among the plays that he secured to produce was John Banim's version of "Damon and Pythias." "The play suggested to my mind the idea of the order," once remarked Rathbone, "although I had not thought of it before. It presented itself when reading over the play at the school house. It then occurred to me that there was excellent foundation in the story of Damon and Pythias for a fraternal secret society. The high type

of friendship therein portrayed seemed to me to be the basis upon which such a society could and should be established. Banim changes the position of the two characters from the historical, but does not change the character of their friendship."

It is proposed to establish a Pythian home at Hot Springs, Arkansas. The Grand Lodge of Arkansas has already voted an appropriation of \$5,000 as a commencement for the fund.

PERSONAL AND PECULIAR.

The San Francisco Board of Health recently received a communication from the Superintendent of the San Francisco & San Mateo Railway Company, suggesting the advisability of prohibiting people from expectorating in street cars. He stated, that such a law was enforced in some of the large Eastern cities, and that there was necessity for its enactment in the West. The Board adopted a resolution requesting the attorney of the Health Department to prepare for the consideration of the Supervisors an ordinance prohibiting expectoration on the sidewalks or in buildings or in any public conveyances, and requiring that buildings and conveyances be provided with receptacles for expectorations.

When it was proposed to build a railroad in the United States, Chancellor Livingston, who was one of the greatest men in the State of New York, published a letter to demonstrate that the undertaking was impossible. One of the reasons was that no one would want to risk his life flying through space at the rate of 12 or 15 miles an hour. Daniel Webster said the frost on the rails would prevent the train from moving, or stopping after it had begun to move.

King Humbert of Italy, though almost the poorest sovereign in Europe, is most methodical in keeping free from private debt. He has now succeeded in settling his father's liabilities, which amounted to about 36,000,000. In order to do this he sold his valuable stud of Arab and English horses, and, in addition, parted with the Castel Porziano, a vast hunting estate. The calls on his private purse for charities, earthquakes, and so on are extremely frequent.

It is a mistake to suppose night air in towns is unhealthy. In most cases it is purer between 10 at night and 6 in the morning than any other part of the twenty-four hours. It is beneficial to sleep with the window open four inches from the top, and the door tightly closed.

Some idea of the vast extent of the surface of the earth may be obtained when it is noted that a lofty church steeple is ascended and the landscape visible from it looked at, 900,000 such landscapes must be viewed in order that the whole earth may be seen.

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